AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Figure 11 is amended to include previously omitted electrical connection indications. An apparent spelling error is corrected in Figures 13, 18, 21 and 23.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet(s)

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed September 20, 2005 closing prosecution on the merits, Applicants amend their application.

Claims 8-13 are allowed and claims 1-7 are withdrawn from consideration because of a restriction requirement and election. Claims 1-7 are canceled here leaving only allowed claims pending.

The Examiner objected to the drawings with regard to Figure 11. It appears that there were two inadvertent omissions of black circles indicating electrical connections in the Figure 11 accompanying the patent application. Those indications are added in a replacement drawing sheet attached to this response. It is apparent to one of skill in the art that the circuit shown in Figure 11 would not function as described without the presence of these electrical connections. No new matter is added by correcting Figure 11. In addition, an apparent spelling error in each of Figures 13, 18, 21, and 23 is corrected in the attached replacement sheets. Approval of the corrected drawings is respectfully requested.

Claim 8 was objected to because of the use of "allowable input current" and "permissible input current". A change was requested that is founded upon an assumption that these two phrases refer to the same current. Applicants agree but believe the opposite of the requested change is appropriate. The amendment made here, so that only the term "allowable current" appears in claim 8, is consistent with the usage of the same term in claims 9 and 10. Making the requested change in claim 8 might be considered to make claim 8 inconsistent with claims 9 and 10. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment of claim 8 to complete prosecution of this patent application

Since the foregoing Amendments responds to all issues outstanding in this patent application, a Notice of Allowance should now be issued for the remaining claims 8-13.

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